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Discoverer of diseased spots, the foremost discovery ever made in the dahlia game and King of the Whites. Also originator of the world's best varieties: Lily Grand, Ben Wilson, World's Best White, Boston White, Snow Queen, White King, King of Whites, White Court, Geo. S. Harvey, Mary Curtin, Sorosis Souvenir, City of Peabody, Harry Sheldon, Jr., Geo. Ray, Amethyst Supreme, Eva Cole, Jim George, M. F. Heaphy, and many more too numerous to mention.

Don't find so much fault with the bulbs you buy until you are sure the fault isn't yours. Which it is very apt to be.

Just a few lines to let you know you should learn the laws of the Dahlia family and get away from the idea that you are the cause of disease in your Dahlia garden by over-feeding or under-feeding or otherwise. You don't seem to wake up to the fact that Nature has framed laws for the Dahlia family as well as the human family, and both must be obeyed; therefore, you couldn't create disease in your garden if you wanted to, simply because Nature hasn't given you that power; but she has given you the power to destroy, but not to create. Nature's germs are ever present in your garden, and when any plant contracts disease, burn it. Above all, don't multiply any sick bulbs; that is where you make a grave mistake. Quite a few growers, yes, and many of our best growers, seem to think they diseased their stock by propagation. You are only kidding yourself. You don't know that propagation is Nature's greatest gift, and if you know enough about the Dahlia to be able to tell a diseased plant and destroy it, and propagate healthy plants only, you would improve your stock over and over to a healthy standard, fit for any market. I'll say, wake up, and go to sleep right, if you want to be a real Dahlia grower.

$100.00 Silver Cup, Won by Murphy Dahlia College at Horticultural Hall, Boston, 1926, with all New Creations, the first time this has been accomplished by any grower.

Disease," and when you understand what both mean to the dahlia, as nature intended you should, you will spend your valuable time learning to pick out diseased plants and destroy them, and grow healthy plants only. When you can do this, you become a real dahlia grower. As a plant contracts disease you will find a rash in the form of disease black spots, which appear all over the lower section of stock, just as plain as any disease rash you ever saw on a human, created by nature for the benefit of mankind, so he can pull and destroy them. Yet, I am sorry to say, although discovered in 1915, you can count on your fingers the growers that can walk through their garden and pick them out, and they all live right here this side of Boston. It's a joke with the rest of the dahlia world. Anything too deep for the chesty dahlia world to grasp must be a joke, especially to the chap that thinks he can grow dahlias absolutely free from disease. He is the joke. Yet it's nice he doesn't realize it. You may read all the dahlia bulletins in the U. S. A., and it's the same old story,—you don't use enough or you use too much potash, fertilizers, tankage, phosphates, wood ashes, and so on. Take it all for its face value and it don't mean a thing to any real grower. Why? Because after your garden is all set and planted, manure and fertilizers are a luxury and not a necessity. Healthy plants, care, cultivation, knowledge and water is all you need. You don't have to feed any dahlia if you know your book. The longer you grow dahlias the less manure and fertilizers you'll use. Why? Knowledge will produce better blooms. 90 per cent of a dahlia growers success is knowledge and work intelligently organized, the other 10 per cent natural resources.

NEW CREATIONS FOR 1928

SEVEN NEW SILVER CUP CREATIONS FOR 1928

375 **BECKETT'S ORIENTAL** (Dec.). I have quite a story with this variety. It is 6 years old. The spring of the third year I had just one pot bulb left; now I am releasing from any viewpoint you can consider, the nearest approach to perfection of any dahlia on the market. The flower opening is dark red with heavy gold tips, about half matured the color is 50x50 yellow and red; full bloom red dominates about three-fourths, a sort of 3-in-1 change, something new. Flowers are very large, on the best of stems; no better. Prolific bloomer, producing large blooms all season; air-tight centers. Named for Beckett's Oriental Candy Co., Shelby, Ohio. Tubers $15.00; Plants $7.50.

930 **ALL YELLOW** (Dec.). In this new sensation I have produced one real yellow that will stand up under its color as the best yellow to date. We have all kinds of yellows and near yellows, but "all yellow" is yellow all over, just one clean clear yellow tone, unusually large and naturally so, 10-inch flowers. Requires no feeding, free-growing plant and profuse bloomer, on long wiry stems. All above the foliage very healthy, robust-growing habit, the most essential asset a new seedling can have. You can't afford to pass this up. Tubers $15.00; Plants $7.50.

945 **ROBIN RED BREAST** (Dec.). You may say I have enough reds and yellows, yet this combination is a golden-bronze like the breast of a robin, hence the name. A very pretty golden-orange with deep coin-gold variations; an outstanding variety with a free-growing habit. Plant grows opened and of unusual construction, so much so it attracts attention when not in bloom, and when the large blooms, high above the foliage on good stems, mature, you can hear them say, "Is this one for sale? Isn't it an odd color and a beauty, one of your best." Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

999 **BABY PINK BEAUTY** (Dec.). It is hard to tell just how many are waiting for this Pink Beauty. It is something new in the pink line, and at the Boston show they all wanted 999. What a great cut and exhibition flower, with great, long, wiry stems holding the flowers high above the foliage. Strong growing plant, full of health and robust constitution. Flower 6 to 8 inches across. Natural habit, "bloom, bloom, bloom." Somewhat shy on stock; may not have enough to go around; order early or you may get left.

Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

1001 **MRS. GRACE LONGLEY** (H. D.). What have you here, Tom? Something new? Yes, that's a 4-year-old seedling I have named for a North Shore society lady who is very fond of flowers, especially odd shades. What color will you call it? White background, graduating to amethyst and violet, a very pretty combination. Also a new odd formation of petal and construction of flower; some of the petals are what I call tube petals, closed up tight with just a small opening at top. Strong, healthy growing plant with large flowers on perfect stems. Shy on stock; order early, or you'll get left.

Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

986 **PORT WINE** (Dec.). I don't see any reason why this new seedling shouldn't make a hit. The lid on the dry law is down tight, you can't get any of the juice, so why not grow one, and next summer, when you are high and dry, walk over and take a peek at the two-tone port wine shades of 986, and with a little imagination on your part you should be able to see a few gallons of balloon juice and let it go at that for 1928. Port Wine is a medium size flower on good stems, all above the foliage nice dark two-tone Port Wine shades, and full of blooms all summer.

Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

1139 **HIGH FLIER** (Dec.). Now we have a nice creamy primrose Dec., borne on the best of stems, also a nice plant. Flowers medium to large, which last summer proved to be one of my best cut flowers. Plant is robust and free flowering, about 6 feet high, with very odd, free-growing, clean foliage. Your attention is attracted by the bold flowers, looking you right in the face. A real bargain. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50;

926 **ALL RED** (D. P.). It is surprising to know how many flower growers like peonies. All summer the dahlia fans, especially the ladies, paid more attention to this unusually large, bright cardinal-red decorative peony than any other dahlia I had. It is the brightest red I ever saw, barring none, and if red is your color send in your order early. You may get left if you wait too long. I feel you can win first prize at most any show, if you'll take care and keep plant from blooming freely. It can and has been grown 8 and 9 inches across, 6 inches deep. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

698 **AMETHYST SUPREME** (H. C.). Something new in formation of petal and color, going on the market in 1925 for the first time. Picture a very delicate amethyst shade, fine-built flower on long stems; nice high plant with the very best of foliage, large and full, of the mule hybrid family, air-tight center, always more petals coming. The construction of the flower is new and attracts your attention. Plants only, $2.50.

ALEXANDER POPE (H. C.). A giant hybrid cactus of a beautiful crimson shade.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

ALICE WHITTIER (H. C.). The best yellow to date and winner of the President Cup at Boston, 1924. A strong, robust grower, extra large, 9 and 10 inches in diameter and 5 and 6 inches deep. Color primrose yellow with a golden glow at base of petals. The flowers are held erect on long, stiff stems. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

AL KORAN (Dec.). Clear, bright, yellow suffused amber, flowers large, stems good.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

ADDA PATERSON (H. C.). One of the best white hybrids on the market. High grown plant with large flowers on good stems.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

AMARILLO GRANDE (H. D.). Light yellow compared with Sunny South, petals are broader and much larger. Plants only, $2.50.

ANDREAS HOFER (H. C.). A beautiful pink and cream cactus that everybody should grow. "Europe's best." Plants only, $2.50.

130 BEN WILSON (D.). Orange-red, gold tips, very large, free bloomer, one of the best.
Tubers *$1.00; Plants *$1.00.

433 BOSTON WHITE (D.) has proven to be one of the greatest whites I ever produced, improving with age, and the best white you will ever buy for the money. Pure white, large full flower, center air-tight, great plant and stems. Try one; you can't lose. Tubers *$2.00; Plants *$1.00.

BLACK JACK (D.). A very dark maroon, almost black; flowers extremely large with long stout stems; don't burn. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

BOB PLEUSE (D.). Very dark maroon and white tipped; flower unusually pretty. A white tip flower you need. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

BIRD OF PARADISE (Dec.). Europe's best wine red and white-tipped new creation. Medium size flowers held high on the best of stems. A very beautiful flower and one you should grow in 1928.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

471 CITY OF PEABODY (H. C.). New, deep wine shade, veined white, reverse of petals silver. A grand flower you can't afford to pass up. Stems and centre always good; extra large flower, full of expression; one of the classiest seedlings ever produced. Tubers *$2.00; Plants *$1.00.

779 CITY OF LAWRENCE (D.). Here we have one of the best yellow decoratives ever produced. Extra large, full, deep flower, on good stems, free bloomer, strong growing plant, great exhibition and cut flower. What more can you ask for?
Tubers *$3.00; Plants $1.50.

CHARLES STRATTON (D.). A new combination, salmon-pink and yellow-buff shades that blend and make a nice, unusual flower; very large and attractive. This is one new dahlia you should grow. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

CHAMPAGNE (D.). One of the very best dahlias, regardless of class or color; a popular autumn champagne shade. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

C. P. R. (D.). An immense flower, color buff yellow and magenta. Odd, handsome flower on good stems. Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

CHARMER'S MASTERPIECE. A huge incurved cactus flower of orchid pink; the flowers are extra large, of perfect form, on the best of stems, which show their beauty to the best advantage. 1927 sensation. Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

CITY OF EVERETT (Dec.). A large yellow on good long stem. Grows 8 inches without disbudding. Stock limited, as this is a new seedling.
Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

CHERMAR'S QUEEN (Dec.). A very large, bright yellow; there is no trace of any other color in the flower, which averages 9 inches; the large flowers are held erect on long cane-like stems. We believe it will be one of the most popular dahlias on the market.
Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

CHERMAR'S U. S. A. (Dec.). For several years we have been experimenting to get a full-center dahlia the color of U. S. A. We have succeeded in this 1924 seedling. Flowers are very deep and large, with air-tight center; stems long and stiff and hold flower erect. Color like the parent, apricot-buff suffused gold.
Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

CASPER G. WARE (Dec.). A pleasing shade of bright silvery violet-rose and a great bloomer.
Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

567 **EVA COLE** (D.). Unusually large, splendidly built, bright, clean, red and gold flower; naturally the largest grown flower to date. With no feeding of any kind I had quite a few 10-inch and better blooms this awfully dry, mean season. Under good care, weather and water, you will have to step some to beat it for quantity, quality and size. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

EXCELL GLORY (H. C.). A hybrid cactus that looks like a big "mum." One that has made a strong impression with all who have seen it growing in my garden. Fine cut flower and good bloomer on long stems, and lasts 5 days or more when cut. Color, taken from color chart, primrose aureolin, a rich yellow shade. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

ELITE GLORY (D.). 1926 sensation that lived up to expectation; very large red.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

EDNA FERBER (H. C.), (F. & M.), latest new creation. Salmon, shading to gold, Hybrid cactus. combination in coloring that is always admired. Flowers are large and full. One of the best exhibition and cut varieties to date. Stock limited. Order early. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

ELIZA CLARK BULL (D.). California's best white, that has made quite a hit on this side of the U. S. A. Medium high and a free bloomer; a good, heavy, close-built flower, with the best of stems, and one you need in your garden.
Plants only, $2.50.

EL DORADO (D.). Very large, vivid gold flower, with the best of stems. Plants only, $1.50.

EL GRANADA (H. C.). Large hybrid cactus variety; color, orange with yellow reverse.
Plants only, $1.50.

ELSIE DANIELS (H. C.). The color of this wonderful dahlia is a pale orchid shade on the outer petals, which are long and shaggy; the centre white. A nice built flower on good stems.
Plants only, $1.25.

EVA WILLIAMS (D.). An exhbition Decorative of amethyst color with slight silver shadings; full center, upright and rigid, free bloomer, stems good. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

ELINOR VANDERVER (D.). Rose pink, handsome large flower, that grows on two-foot stems well above the foliage. Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.00.

EASTERN STAR (D.). This is a wonderful large, heavy, well formed flower; soft shadings of real old gold; on good stems.
Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

ETHEL M. (H. C.). Here is a very pretty combination of amarant pink and white centre; nice-built flower with long petals; one you will be proud of when you see it in your garden.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

ELKRIDGE (H. C.). A large white hybrid cactus, the sensation of the New York Show, 1926.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

ELKRIDGE GEM (Dec.). A new Pink Dec. of much merit; stems good. Tubers $3.00; Plant $1.50.

ELIZABETH WHITE (Dec.). Rich combination of coral pink and salmon; amber glow at base of petals. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

ERLICHE ARBEIT (Dec.). One of the best dahlias sent across from Europe. Color red-orange with yellow center; large flowers on the best of stems.
Plants only, $2.50.

EAGLE ROCK BEAUTY (H. D.). Broomall's celebrated $50 combination of pink and cream; a very pretty flower and one you should select for 1928. Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

EAGLE ROCK SUNSHINE (Cac.). A new large yellow cactus from California, that has done well in the East. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

EAGLE (Dec.). Europe's best white and one of the best whites you ever grew. Plant full of blooms all season, on the best of stems. Plant has a healthy, free-growing habit, with nice, dark, clean green foliage. Plants only, $2.50.

1017 **FLAME LICK** (Dec.). You can always hear the old cry, "I have enough reds." So have I, yet I'll buy a good red just as quick as any other color, and so will you. The big noise last season was a large good red. You all had it. I didn't hear anyone singing, "I have enough reds." The trouble is, we don't know what we do want till we see it. Flame Lick is a new, brilliant, flame-red flower, on the end of great stems, looking you full in the face. Profuse bloomer, plant habit excellent, 4 to 5 feet high. The petals seem to have a transparent tissue sheen you don't see in other reds. One of those nice-growing plants you don't have to trim. A special gift from Nature; it cares for itself. Only a few varieties have this habit. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

FAITH GARIBALDI (D.). A deep rose-pink Decorarative, large size and good stems; one of the best. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

FORTH WASHINGTON (D.). Plant, stem and flower of this large dark maroon has all the earmarks of a classy dahlia. You need it in your garden. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

FARNCOT (Cac.). A medium size cactus, aster-purple tipped white; very free flowering variety. Tubers $2.00; Plant $1.00.

F. T. D. (Dec.). A sport of Trentonian and manifesting the latter's good habit of growth. Color, a rich Tyrian rose on the best of stems. Tubers $7.50; Plants $4.00.

634 **GEO. S. HARVEY** (D.). I'll say you will have to go some to beat this purplish-magenta flower, full of quality and class, suffused white. One of the handsomest combinations you wish to see and getting better and larger with age. Very large, deep flower. It is up to you to grow it 10 inches; the goods are there. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

GRACE SCHOTT (D.). A very nice yellow and pink variety, a good bloomer and fine stems. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

GENERAL McRAE (D.). Apricot buff, suffused with gold; reverse a light coral red. The flowers are very large, perfect type, held erect on stiff stems. This is one of the best decoratives grown. Plants only $2.50.

GRENADIER (D.). A purplish maroon and silver reverse flower that is somewhat unique; held aloft on good long stems. A dahlia that will improve your garden. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

GRACE SHERMAN (D.). A new creation of much merit. Delicate pink, shading to cream, with light orange in center. Large and full on good stems. While they last, Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

GOLDEN RULE (D.). A very large, deep orange-red that made quite a hit. Extra good for exhibition. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

GOLDEN OCHRE (D. P.). New creation of Ormand Roach, receiving its name from its color. The first blooms are massive decoratives, later changing to extra large peony with long wavy petals. A fine bloomer, also holding its size all summer. Color, golden ochre with salmon reverse. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

GLORY OF MONMOUTH (Dec.). Eosine pink shading to strawberry pink at center, base of petals light orange. A new color combination. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

GOV. A. H. MOORE (Dec.). A large yellow flower, shading to buff. Plant full of large blooms all season. Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

739 HARRY SHELDON JR. (D.). Here again Nature has been good to me in producing what I think is the cleanest, classiest, largest and handsomest pink and white flower, regardless of class, ever put on the market. I will not be a bit surprised to see one 12 inches across, 5 or 6 inches deep, next season. Petals are 2 inches wide, extra long, and the flower opens very fast, long before the back gives way, which means the greatest of all exhibition flowers. Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

341 HARLAN (D.). Extra large yellow, fine plant and good stems on the Estelle Christy type; much better. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

HAVE-A-LOOK QUEEN OF AUTUMN (H. D.). Autumn shade with rose-pink predominating. Flowers are nicely constructed and large, good growth of plant, and free bloomer; stems good. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

HARRY MAYER (Dec.). A new sensation that has lived up to expectations. Color, a very attractive pale Rosalene purple. Plants only $5.00.

HERALD TRIBUNE ELITE (Dec.). A pure white of fine form on strong stems; a New York sensation. Plants only $1.50.

IRIANA (D.). To me this is the darkest of all dahlias; the dark maroon tone is a step nearer to black. Mr. Baker says he has grown it 10 inches in California. I grew it last season and it is one nice flower on perfect stems. Plants only $1.25.

ISLAM PATROL (H. C.). Very dark velvet scarlet, tipped heavily with yellow. Well recommended. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

IAN (Cac.). A perfectly incurved cactus. The large flowers are a deep yellow shading to pink; stems good. Plants only $2.50.

ITALIAN SUNSET (Dec.). A very large decorative with blending colors of cream yellow, mauve, pink and cerise. Plants only $5.00.

INDEPENDENCE (Dec.). Large, well set-up flower of mauve-pink or lilac, on strong stems.
Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

862 JIM GEORGE (Dec.). I have produced quite a few reds. and thought I had about reached the limit of velvet texture of fascinating color in red when I put Sorosis on the market six years back. But no. My new dark garnet velvet seedling is the best ever. It's no use for me to try and tell you about the velvet sheen cast of this beautiful-built flower, with great stems, plant and foliage; all flowers blooming freely above the plant. You will have to see it yourself to really appreciate what I call the cream of all dark reds.
Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

JERSEY BEAUTY (D.). A real pink of intense richness; nice full flower, center and stem always good. Very free bloomer and extra nice cut flower. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

JERSEY JEWEL (D.). In this flower we have a very nice shade of mellow pink. A large long-petaled flower, full of class and beauty.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

JERSEY'S CAPRICE (D.). A very odd autumn shade with fine stems holding flowers high and proud. Flower large and of good formation.
Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

JERSEY'S BEACON (D.). New shade of red called Chinese scarlet. Flowers are extra large, on the best of stems. To me, Wait's best. It showed all kinds of class in 1926.
Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

JERSEY'S MAMMOTH (D.). The largest of Wait's introductions; a rich golden mahogany.
Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

JUNIOR (D.). When you come right down to perfection of every flower for exhibition and the health of the plant everywhere and anywhere, it is one of the best that ever left California. Pure lavender and full of class. Tubers only $1.50.

863 M. F. HEAPHY (Dec.). Here is a flower that I think will be the sensation of the season, taking into consideration all twelve points: bulbs, stock, foliage, plant, stem, flower, free bloomer, color, exhibition and cut flower, lasting qualities, and don't burn. When you originate a dahlia that will stand up under the acid test of said twelve points, it means you have come about as near to perfection as nature's law will allow. I had twenty in a row of this wonderful dahlia, with

shades of magenta, wine, maroon and royal purple flowers, 6 to 8 inches across and 5 inches deep, on the best of stems, plants full of flowers all season, and I dare say it made more noise than any row on the farm. All you could hear was, "Come folks and see this one." Don't pass up this enormous California Jack Rose in dahlia form.
Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

868 MARY FERGUSON (D.). Here we have one of the prettiest tri-colored dahlias on the market. Color, orange, yellow, and white tips; free bloomer and very attractive flower. White always there. Don't sport; medium-size flowers. The best bargain in the catalog. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

699 MAHOGANY (C.). A real American Cactus; dark velvet-red, with long, narrow cactus petals, borne on the end of great stiff stems. One of the rich red shades that makes the sun dance.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

997 MRS. HENRY E. FOLEY H. C.). You'll hear them say, "Don't you love the decoratives." A short distance south someone rings in, "Ain't the hybrid cactus wonderful," and she made a good guess. The hybrid cactus is in a class by itself, especially when it is backed up with a nice plant, flower and stem. 997 is a very large, 10-inch, swell-constructed flower. The color, a combination of white and two-tone variegated magenta, suffused in a way hard to describe. You'll have to see it growing before you can appreciate the new coloring. It has a habit all its own; laterals grow up straight like a cane. It will carry eight limbs easy, and if you want 3-foot stems for baskets, with a swell, classy flower on the end, cut low. Stock limited; order early.
Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

MRS. EDWARD TAYLOR (D.). One of the best of last season's new creations. Color, a wonderful cerise, magenta shades; giant flowers on perfect stems. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN (D.). Deep mulberry and rose dahlia, that blooms in the limelight always, and it is a shame to sell it so cheap.
Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

MYRA VALENTINE (D.). Odd, golden-bronze shade, with a very long stem; extra fine cut flower and a free bloomer. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

MARGARET MASSON (D.). A great silvery rose-pink, full of class in size, stem construction and color. It is one of the best dahlias I had the pleasure of growing last season. It has all the good habits, and you make a mistake if you don't grow it. Nature don't make them any better.
Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.75.

MRS. I. DE VER WARNER (D.). One of the standard varieties that have come to stay. Color, orchid cattleya shade. Tubers $1.00.

MARGARET WOODROW WILSON (D.). One of the outstanding varieties I had the pleasure of growing. Very large, broad petaled, heavy built flower of cream, white and pink, held high above foliage on fine stems. A very classy flower that Nature don't hand out every Saturday night; she don't build them any better, so be sure and buy one for 1928. Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

MANATAUG (D.). A wonderful new decorative, a sure winner. The color, a rich American Beauty rose-crimson, slightly darker at center. Large flowers on great stems. Great cut flower and stands up well. At Brockton Fair, 1925, won two first prizes for best twelve and best six long stems. Said a prominent florist of 50 years' experience: "On Sept. 24, 1925, a vase of Manataug long stems were placed in my store, and on Sept. 28 they were in good condition." A new wonder and hard to beat.

Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

MRS. J. J. MARSHALL (H. D.). Joe Marshall's masterpiece and one of the very best dahlias I purchased last season. A very large, free-blooming variety; color, mandarin bronze, a combination of buff, tan and brown, with a sheen lustre of salmon; plant has a free-growing, robust habit, flowers borne high above the foliage on the best of stems. One of our very best new creations.

Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

MARMION (D.). One of the 1926 creations that has made quite a hit here in the East. A large, golden decorative with a bronze tint.

Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

MIRIAM FISHER (H. C.). Another new creation of (F. & M.) that is bound to make a hit. An orchid-lavender staghorn type of petal that is as deep as it is large. Plant, stem and flower measure up to the good standard you need in your garden. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

MRS. JOHN L. GARDNER (H. C.). Blood-red petals with white tips; a very attractive dahlia.

Plants only $1.00.

MISS LYNN (Peo.). Wonderful new pink peony, with lighter shadings to center. One of the largest grown, on the best of stems, free flowering, fine cut and exhibition variety.

Plants only $1.50.

MARION BROOMHALL (H. C.). Pink and white descendant of Gladys Sherwood; it is more cactus, with better stems and habit. Plants only $3.75.

MRS. C. READING (Dec.). New creation; very large flower on good stems, also a good bloomer. Color, gold with lighter shadings, tipped carmine. Great exhibition and cut flower. Plants only $2.50.

MORDELLA (Dec.). A hard autumn shade to beat. High-growing plant, good bloomer and stem.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

MISS CALIFORNIA (Dec.). A large perfectly-formed flower, known as Oriental fuschia shade; free bloomer on strong stems. Plants only $1.50.

562 MARY CURTIN (Dec.). One of the very few red and white tipped dahlias that don't sport.
Plants only $1.50.

MME. EMILE DRAPS (Dec.). Europe's new seedling: a medium to large watermelon pink and cream decorative; an odd combination. Flowers held high on the end of good stems.
Plants only $2.50.

NAGLES ROEM (H. C.). Belgium's best. A nice autumn shade, the sensation of the New York Show of 1926. Plants only $2.50.

NATURE'S MASTERPIECE (Dec.). A rich combination of old rose cinnamon and metallic bronze. blended into one color suffused with mulberry; large flowers on good stems. Plants only $5.00.

OLIVE REED (D.). Here we have one more nice yellow you don't want to pass up. A remarkable mammoth dahlia; great exhibition flower.
Plants only $2.50.

OYSTER BAY RUBY (Dec.). A rich ruby-red, perfectly-formed flower, held erect on a two-foot stems as stiff as a cane; never shows center; flowers very large. (New.)
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

OYSTER BAY BEAUTY (Dec.). This rich, dark, velvety-red color will attract your attention the minute you get your eye on it. The plant is covered with blooms all season; the large flower is placed on the end of the long stems. New.
Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

PREMIER CLEMENCEAU (H. C.). This is a very pretty dahlia of lemon-yellow and white, one of the handsomest flowers we have.
Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.00.

PRESIDENT WILSON (D.). This is one of the standard varieties; a fine dark-wine maroon with white tips. Plants only $1.50 net.

POLAR SNOW (D.). Judge Marien's white that had a hard time before it was released. Here at last. A nice quality white and a good addition to your garden. Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

POP STEWART (Giant Dec.). This is a remarkable flower of great size. Color, lilac-pink. Won First Prize for largest flower in Montclair Show, New Jersey. We recommend it as one of the finest dahlias in existence, with great stems.
Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

PAUL REVERE (D.). In this flower we have one of the best ever produced. A bright crimson, full, heavy flower, with fine habit and good stems.
Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

PRIMULA REX (Dec.). New. Another 1926 sensation. Very large, primrose shade flower, on good stems, and vigorous grower. Plants only $3.75.

417 **QUEEN OF WHITES** (H. C.). One of the best Hybrid Cactus dahlias ever put on the market. Never have enough. Plants only $2.50.

QUEEN OF THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL (Dec.). A yellow from California that seems to have made good here in the East. Extra large flowers on the best of stems. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

ROLLO BOY (H. C.). This dahlia won First Prize for the largest and best dahlia at the Palace Hotel Show, 1924. Color, a delicate amber, shading to old gold. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

ROMAN EAGLE (Dec.). One real bronze shade Decorative; unusually large and deep. 1925 was a banner season for this great flower.
Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

ROBERT SCOTT (D.). A new apricot-yellow with rose shadings; large, bold flower, with fine stems.
Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.50.

RORY O'MOORE (D.). A very striking flower. Color, violet-purple edged white. Flower good size and fine stems. One of the handsomest flowers in the garden. Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

ROSE FALLON (D.). The big 1926 sensation that cleaned up the New York Show as the best in something new. Color, odd shade of old gold. Flowers large, on the best of stems.
Plants only $2.50.

RADIO (D.). A 1924 sensation that held up in good shape. A very large, attractive red and yellow flower with good stems. One of our best.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

ROBERT TREAT (D.). American Beauty rose shade that made a lot of noise for 1925. Also a prize winner 1923 and 1924. One nice start for Bob.
Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

RODMAN WANAMAKER (D. P.). The Peacock dahlia growers claim it is the largest ever produced. I'll say it is classy enough for any garden. Large, delicate bronze-yellow and pink.
Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

985 REFLECTION (Dec.). It's interesting to listen to the dahlia lovers telling one another they like solid colors, and before they leave you sell them about all the by-colors you have. Reflection is a grand exhibition and cut variety. Face of petal white, reverse variegated and suffused violet producing a slight shell-pink base; flower large and deep, held high above foliage on the best stems; free bloomer, holding its size well all season; habit of plant extra good. The dahlia world wants good stems, so much so some of you forget what's on the end, so long as stem is good. Reflection has a great stem and a nice posie on the end. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

184 SOROSIS (D.). My best red. I'll say the best on the market. Tubers only *$1.50.

987 SHIRLEY EILEEN SHATTUCK (Dec.). When you buy this prize-winning, silver cup seedling of orchid-lavender, you purchase the best lavender we have to the minute. Picture a large, clean, clear lavender flower on the end of a long, stiff stem, growing from a nicely constructed plant, overburdened with class and very free bloomer. 1928 will be the fifth generation and it has improved each year, which means much to a new seedling. I had about 80 in one section. You could hear the fair sex, "Oh, look at that lavender! Did you ever see anything like it? Wouldn't you like to have a dress that shade!" One man said, "It makes the eye feel good." If you are fond of lavender, don't pass up Shirley E. Shattuck; she is just as pretty as the flower and a better dancer. Tubers $15.00; Plants $7.50.

SISKIYOU (H. D.). One of the largest dahlias ever produced. The coloring is a combination of yellow buff and watermelon pink; a swell flower for up-to-date growers. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

SANICAN'S BLUEBIRD (D.). If I remember right, we have three Bluebirds on the market, all good singers; but this is the only one that hums. All summer she'll hum away the blues. Why be blue with a pink necktie? Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

SUSAN G. TEVIS (D.). This is one fine dahlia, which will produce an abundance of flowers all season. A beautiful shade of lilac with a bluish sheen. Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

SHUDOW'S LAVENDER (D.). No doubt it is the purest lavender on the market.

Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

SAGAMORE (D.). A wonderful exhibition and cut flower, free-blooming habit of large size flowers, all season. Color, golden yellow, great stems.

Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

SOMERSET (D.). The big winner of the $175 Samuel W. Heller Memorial Prize at Pasadena, Cal. Color, salmon and old rose. Very large bloom, on fine stems. Tubers $3.50; Plants $1.75.

SOLE MIO (H. C.). The golden color, the size and the general beauty of this flower will hold your attention at once. Construction of flower is extra good, on the end of good, s'rong stems, and the best yellow ever sent out from California.

Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

SANICAN'S MAGNATE (D.). Great exhibition variety of pale amaranth pink, reverse of petal a solid claret color, heavily veined; large flowers held high above foliage.

Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

SANHICAN'S MONARCH (D.). A deep flower that never shows the center early or late; very dark foliage, cane-like stem, holding flower erect out of the foliage. Color, Tyrian rose.

Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

SEA SHELL (D.). A very beautiful flower, wi'h tight center all season; also early bloomer. Color, shell-pink, shading to white center, the outer petals edged with light purple and covered with golden sheen. Large 8 to 9 inch flowers, on long straight stems; a profuse bloomer.

Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

SULPHUR QUEEN (D.). Another creation of Orman Roach, one of the outstanding dahlias in my garden all season. Large 9 inch flowers, full to centre, held on long, stiff stems well above the foliage; free bloomer and strong growing plant. This dahlia should be in your collection. Sulphur yellow. Tubers $7.50; Plants $3.75.

SALLY GIRL (Dec.). A new bright rose-pink, blooms large on good stems. One more California creation. Plants only $3.00.

973 **TOP NOTCH** (Dec.). Another silver cup seedling that has stood the acid test. The flower opens a light primrose and as it matures graduates to cream and white. The habit of plant growth is extra good; blooms hold head up on good stems and never falter; center air-tight, which means mule flower. A he-man's variety. You may say "I have enough yellows, creams and whites," but you haven't this nice, new, large, classy, creamy white that blooms large flowers all season, on the end of strong stems. When Mrs. Fisher, of F. & M., the leading gold medal winner in the U. S. A., got her trained eye on it, she put it down in a hurry. 'Nuff said.

Tubers $10.00; Plants $5.00.

TRENTONIAN (D.). A giant Decorative. The color is that of an Indian skin, a wonderful blending of old gold amber and coppery bronze. A well lasting cut flower on extra good stems.

Tubers $2.50; Plants $1.25.

THE BANDIT (H. C.). A beautiful coloring of spectrum red, with backs of petals a buff yellow and bright yellow at the base. Scored second in a field of 143 entries at Storrs, Conn. I'll say Bandy is some shot. He can hit the bullseye in any garden. Just give him a chance.

Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

THE BASHFUL GIANT (D.). One of the largest dahlias ever produced, with a nice habit of producing slowly just so many nice, large flowers of apricot and bronze. Tubers only $1.00.

THE TELEGRAM (D.). Here we have the handsomest tango bronze with distinct white tips ever produced. Prolific bloomer and holds its size all season. This is one variety you need in your garden. A bargain for the money.

Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

THE CRYSLER (D.). In this new seedling we have a large wide-petal flower on the end of a good stiff stem; medium growing plant. An odd shade of watermelon pink, always full to centre. A front row variety, 4 feet high.

Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

THE GIANTESS (Dec.). One of the largest dahlias grown. Color, amber bronze. Flowers are carried on long, stiff stems.

Tubers $2.00; Plants $1.00.

THE LEMONADE (Dec.). A new creation by R. Ward, and the best primrose-yellow ever produced, east or west. It has the essential everything necessary to make it what it is, the best to date. Tubers $6.00; Plants $3.00.

855 **WHITE COURT** (H. C.). One more new white. The world and the bride is looking for whites. Something new in the white line; a soft, sensitive, wavy, waxy, pure white hybrid cactus; most wonderful construction imaginable; very strong-growing plant. Sensation at the Ocean House, Swampscott, Mass., next door to White Court, President Coolidge's summer home; also in Boston and New York the best white shown in 1925. The greatest exhibition white ever produced.

Tubers $4.00; Plants $2.00.

707 **WINTER TIME** (C.). The best American white cactus ever produced. The world has been looking for a good white cactus, and here you have it. Fine, strong plant, great stems, flower always looking at you. Fine cut flower and great for exhibition. Also, one more good point, the greatest of foliage to carry to the show.

Tubers *$2.00; Plants *$1 00.

307 **WORLD'S BEST WHITE** (D.). Now I have produced about as near to perfection of plant, flower and stem as Nature will allow. It just keeps full of large blooms all summer, with the best of stems. Can be grown 9 to 10 inches, 5 inches deep. Has won 10 First Prizes and has made a tremendous hit this season from coast to coast. You make one great mistake if you don't grow it.

Tubers *3.50; Plants *$1.75.

WONDERLAND (D.). One of the largest dahlias ever produced. Chocolate maroon with silver reverse and a new odd twist in each petal that makes the flower large and heavy.

Tubers $3.00; Plants $1.50.

WARREN'S JUMBO (D.). Very large golden-bronze and one of our real up-to-date dahlias. You'll make one large mistake if you don't grow this new creation. Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

WM. G. (H. C.). A very odd color cactus that has made quite a hit. Flowers are very large and full. Color, henna-bronze.

Tubers $5.00; Plants, $2.50.

W. J. IRWIN (Dec.). A very classy lavender, somewhat on the purple tint. It has great size, also stem. You need one in your garden. It is one of the best.

Tubers $5.00; Plants $2.50.

WANDA MILLER (Dec.). New. The same color as Our Country, purple with white tips, with long, stiff stems. Plants only $1.50.

YELLOW KING (Cac.). Here we have a new yellow cactus from Europe that is sure to make a hit. Medium-size flowers on good, stiff stems, pleasing yellow shade and free bloomer. Plants only $2.50.

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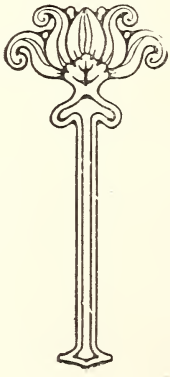
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